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CTC Approves More Than $90 Million for SB 1 Projects to Improve the State Highways and Reduce Congestion

SACRAMENTO – Caltrans announced today the California Transportation Commission (CTC) allocated $758.1 million for 91 State Highway Operation and Protection Program projects throughout California, including $90.4 million for 26 fix-it-first projects funded by Senate Bill 1 (SB 1), the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017. This funding allows crews to improve 21 bridges and more than 189 lane miles of pavement, upgrade 292 congestion reducing devices, and repair or replace 81 culverts to prevent flooding on highways.

“While we are thankful for the rain, our crews worked around the clock this winter responding to the harsh weather conditions that took a toll on our roadways and culverts,” said Caltrans Director Laurie Berman. “The funds from SB 1 allow us now to proactively maintain our bridges, repair our roadways, and ensure our drainage systems can handle the winters ahead.”

Area state highway projects allocated SB 1 funds include:

- **Bridge Upgrade on State Route 154 in Santa Barbara County:** $11.7 million project to improve structures and upgrade bridge rail at the La Colina Road and Primavera Road undercrossings. The project was allocated 2.2 million.

The CTC also approved more than $5.1 million of SB 1 funding for the Local Partnership Program (LPP) to help match investments that local communities have made in their region through voter-approved transportation tax measures.

In addition, the CTC approved an allocation of more than $28.1 million for 20 locally-administered Active Transportation Program projects, which range from improving sidewalks and bicycle lanes to creating safer routes to school for children who ride their bicycles or walk to school. Of those, seven projects are SB 1 funded for $14.8 million.

Since SB 1 was signed into law April 2017, Caltrans has repaired or replaced 89 bridges and paved more than 1,300 lane miles of the state highway system.
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For a complete list of the ATP, LPP, and State Highway Operations and Protection Program (SHOPP) projects allocated funds, among other items from the March meeting visit:

SHOPP is the state highway system’s "fix-it-first" program that funds safety improvements, emergency repairs, highway preservation and operational highway upgrades. A significant portion of the funding for this program comes from SB 1.

SB 1 invests approximately $5.4 billion per year to fix roads, freeways and bridges in communities across California as well as strategically investing in transit. These funds are split equally between state and local projects and will allow Caltrans to fix more than 17,000 lane miles of pavement, 500 bridges and 55,000 culverts on the state highway system by 2027.

More information and updates on these and other projects can be found on Caltrans’ social media channels: http://www.dot.ca.gov/paffairs/social-media.html.

Caltrans is committed to conducting its business in a fully transparent manner and detailing its progress to the public. For more details about SB 1, visit http://www.rebuildingca.ca.gov/.

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